

## COVID-19

- Please continue to follow all Covid-19 public health measures and restrictions
  - We encourage individuals who choose to clean in a group to screen for Covid, and if you have any Covid symptoms to stay home
  - Even though most of the Covid-19 related restrictions have been recently lifted, we need to remain vigilant to protect our community from the continued spread of Covid-19 variants
  - Wear appropriate personal protective equipment including gloves (provided)
  - Avoid touching your face during the clean-up, and wash hands or use hand sanitizer well after the clean-up and before consuming food or drink
  - There are currently no limits to outdoor group sizes
  - Mask mandates for outdoor gatherings have been lifted; we encourage everyone to please respect the comfort level(s) of the members of your group, and consider airing on the side of caution by choosing to wear masks, especially if any members in your group are immunocompromised
- Please consider physical distancing (2 metre distancing from others)



### Wear PPE, Be Prepared

Work gloves and safety vests are a great way to protect yourself and be seen during your clean-up. Bring along a first-aid kit just in case.



### Look before you reach

Avoid reaching into areas (bushes, dark water, etc.) where visibility is difficult. Use a stick or tool to avoid the possibility of injury from hidden sharp objects. If you can't get an item safely, please leave it alone.



### Found a big treasure?

Report large items (tires, car batteries, appliances, etc.) to EcoSuperior so we can arrange to have them picked up (please email [rethinkingwaste@ecosuperior.org](mailto:rethinkingwaste@ecosuperior.org) with specific details about items and location). Large and odd-shaped items must be left in a location that is visible and accessible by vehicle (ie. Roadside, boulevard, adjacent to a parking area).

If you find an abandoned shopping cart, please report it directly to the identified retailer. Their contractors will retrieve them.

# Tips for a Safe Clean-Up



### Sharps

Keep solid containers on hand for sharp objects (glass, metal, etc.) . Pick up only with proper protection and tools.

If you find a needle/syringe:

- Do not touch it - leave the needle where it is
- Mark the spot so it will be easy for others to see
- Make a detailed description of where the needle is located
- Call Superior Points at 625-8831 or 625-7996 for pick-up



## Recyclables

It is important to sort the recyclable materials you find properly in the blue bags provided.

If you plan to put the recyclables out for curbside pickup, please place your recycling in blue bags using the following guidelines:

- Paper Products - Newspapers, Flyers, Junk Mail, Magazines, Soft Cover Books, Fine Paper, Paper Egg Cartons, Boxboard (ex. Cereal boxes) etc.
- Containers - Pop Cans, Milk Cartons, Juice Boxes, Metal Cans, Glass Bottles & Jars, ALL #1 & #2 plastic containers
- Cardboard – no bag required; please flatten and bundle

If you plan to use the depots (Mountdale Avenue at Walsh St., Front St., or Solid Waste & Recycling Facility), you will be required to sort your recyclables upon arrival according to the following bins:

- Paper
- Glass
- Cardboard/Boxboard
- Tetra-paks & milk cartons
- Metal cans
- Aluminum cans
- ALL #1 and #2 plastic containers



## Hazardous Waste

It is important to separate hazardous waste (ex. Household cleaners, aerosols, automobile fluids, pharmaceuticals, etc.) from the other litter you collect. These materials can be brought to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Solid Waste & Recycling Facility at 5405 Mapleward Road, which is free to use and is open year round.

Household batteries may be brought to the following locations:

- Hazardous Waste Depot at the Solid Waste & Recycling Facility
- EcoSuperior
- Thunder Bay Public Libraries



*Individuals participating in Spring Up to Clean Up are responsible for organizing their own clean up, including ensuring the safety of their participants. EcoSuperior and the City of Thunder Bay provide support for community-wide litter clean-up efforts during Spring Up to Clean Up, in the form of bags, prizes and public recognition.*